Litigation under Urban Land Ceiling Act

806. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:

SHRI SOM PAL:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that a very large area of urban lands have remained unutilised or encroached upon due to litigation under Urban Lands Ceiling Act and very little land has come under Government possession; and

(b) what are the measures Government propose to take to rectify this situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The implementation of the Urban Land (Ceiling and Regulation) Act, 1976 is the responsibility of the respective State Governments, and as such Government of India does not compile information on the extent of urban land under litigation or encroachement.

(b) Proposals for amendment to the Urban Land Ceiling Act have been formulated to give incentive for better utilisation of the land and to streamline the litigation process. However, no final decision has yet been taken.

आरक्षणों में धांधलेबाजी को रोकने के लिए उठाये गये कदम

807. **श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह :** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने रेलवे आरक्षण में धांधलेबाजी को कम करने तथा यात्रियों को सुविधाएं पहुंचाने के लिए कोई कारगर कदम उठाये हैं ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है तथा इसका देश के चार महानगरों में जैसे दिल्ली, कलकत्ता, मद्रास तथा बम्बई पर क्या प्रभाव पड़ा है ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) जी हां।

(ख) आरक्षण में कदाचार समाप्त करने तथा यात्रियों को बेहतर सुविधाएं सुलभ कराने के लिए निम्नलिखित उपाय किए गए हैं :—

(i) 22 शहरों में कंप्यूटरीकृत आरक्षण प्रणाली की व्यवस्था की गई है जिसके परिणामस्वरूप आरक्षण कराने में लगने वाला समय कम हो गया है तथा लाइनें भी छोटी हो गई हैं।

(ii) ग्राहकों के आस-पास ही सेवा सुलभ कराने के लिए कई सेटेलाइट आरक्षण कार्यालय खोले गए हैं।

(iii) 51 स्टेशनों पर ऑटोमैक्स सुविधाओं की व्यवस्था की गई है ताकि आगे तथा वापसी यात्रा के लिए आरक्षण संदेश शीघ्रता से भेजे जा सकें।

(iv) चुनिंदा स्टेशनों पर टोकन प्रणाली शुरू की गई है ताकि आरक्षण खिड़कियों पर अधिक भीड़-भाड़ न हो तथा अधिक समय तक लाइन में खड़ा होने की आवश्यकता न पड़े।

(v) नए रेल अधिनियम में टिकटों की बिक्री तथा खरीद में संलिप्त, अनधिकृत रूप से व्यापार करने तथा हस्तांतरित टिकटों पर यात्रा करने वालों को दिए जाने वाले दण्डों में पर्याप्त वृद्धि कर दी गई है। ये उपबन्ध आरक्षित टिकटों की अनधिकृत रूप से बिक्री, खरीद या हस्तान्तरण को रोकने का काम करेंगे।

(vi) समय-समय पर निरन्तर जांच की गई हैं तथा दलालों को पकड़ा गया है तथा उन पर मुकदमा चलाया गया है।

Construction of Srisailan Right Branch Canal Scheme, Andhra Pradesh

808. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state.

(a) what is the progress made in the construction of Srisailan Right Branch Canal Scheme in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) how much amount is spent on it year-wise the details thereof; and

(c) what are the reasons for undue delay in completing the construction and what steps are taken to avoid further delay, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) As on 31-3-1991, works on Bankacherla cross regulator and the work in initial reach of 38 km. of the canal were in progress. Tenders for the works in the reaches from 38 km. to 97.3 km. and from 116 km. to 141 km. were under finalisation in the State Government.

(b) The details of the amount spent upto the end of 6th Plan and year-wise thereafter are as under:—

Rs. in crores

Upto the end of 6th Plan		7·03
1985-86	.	5·15
1986-87	.	7·50
1987-88	.	6·02
1988-89	.	11·23
1989-90	.	13·50
1990-91	.	4·20 (anticipated)
Total :		54·67 Crores

The Working Group of Planning Commission has recommended an outlay of Rs. 50.00 crores for 1991-92.

(c) The main reasons for delay in completion of the Project are delay in finalisation of Tenders; slow pace of works by the contractors; delay in Surveys & investigation & finalisation of desigus; and non release of forest land in various patches of the canal. To expedite the progress the State Government is trying to finalise more number of contracts for works.

Modernisation of Krishna nad Godavari Delta

809. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal pending under Government's consideration for modernisation of Krishna and Godavari Delta system in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) since how long, they are pending; and

(c) what are the reasons for the delay and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI VIDYACHARAN SHUKLA): (a) to (c) The status of appraisal of modernisation of Krishna and Godavari Delta Systems of Andhra Pradesh is attached. as statement (*See* below).

Statement

The scheme for modernisation of Krishna Delta Irrigation System estimated to cost Rs. 67 crores was originally received in the Central Water Commission in September 1979. In compliance of the observations of the appraising agencies, the State Government resubmitted modified and updated report estimated to cost Rs. 425 crores in December, 1985. Even this project report was found wanting in respect of utilisation of water in excess of allocation by the Tribunal, inclusion of cost of utilisation of ground and recycled water in project estimates, soil survey of command area and provision of drainage system in delta area to prevent water logging and salinity. Therefore, the project has been returned to the State Government in December, 1988 to comply with the observations, modify and resubmit updated project report.

Although the scheme for Modernisation of Godavari Delta System was emanated from the Andhra Pradesh Government during February, 1983 at an estimated cost of Rs. 89.5 crores, the revised and cost updated report was received in the Central Water Commission in August 1985 estimated to cost Rs. 350 crores. As important observations of the Commission concerning/Basic planning, Irrigation aspect, and design remained uncomplied with, the report was returned in November, 1988.